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The students set out from Akmo-linsk with four natives in August last. They were provided with a horse each, provisions for a couple of weeks, and a compass. Relying on the official ordinance maps for finding the whereabouts of footpaths, mountain passes, and rivers, they penetrated far into the vast Siberian forest; but they soon found that the maps were misleading in every particular. Roads which they had expected to find were non-existent, and the travellers lost their way. To make matters worse, their compass broke, and they were unable to find their way back.

Provisions soon gave out, and the men had to kill their horses for food. In a short time they were starving and suffering terribly from the intense cold. Expeditions dispatched by their friends failed to find them, and they were left to struggle back to Akmo-linsk on foot. More dead than alive, they reached Akmo-linsk on Nov. 21.

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News recently leaked out through the agency of one of the Arctic whaling vessels, of the death of Mr. Haunch, a young German explorer, who left Europe three years ago for Cumberland Gulf. His intention was to travel via Lake Kennedy, Fox Channel, Fury and Kerkela Straits, and across land to Ponds Bay, a journey which was undertaken in 1886 by Dr. Kennedy. Mr. Haunch, with two parties of Eskimo, left Cumberland Gulf, passed through Lake Kennedy into Fox Channel, and got along the east shore, but not to any great distance. Scarcity of food then compelled him to retrace his steps, and soon afterwards he died. This news has been received from the Eskimo.

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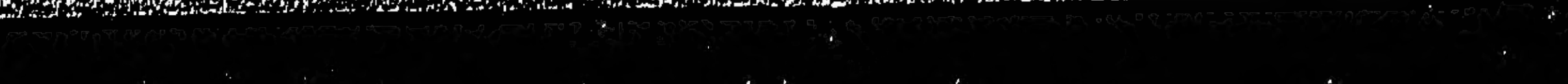
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NOTES ON WILD LIFE IN HONGKONG AND SOUTH CHINA.

XII.

(By Rev. G. A. Bunbury, M.A., Principal of Diocesan Training College, Canton.)

[These notes are the result of observations made during the past few years, in the intervals of Mission work. They do not profess to be exhaustive. It is hoped that they may serve as finger-posts to other observers in this interesting field.]

THE SMALLER WADERS.

Kershaw whose base of operations was Macao and the Hwang-shan district, gives three species of Plover (Agallitis), three of Dotterel (Numenius), two of Tattlers (Totanus), two Snipe (Gallinago), one each of the Jacana (Hydrophasianus—a rare bird with greatly prolonged tail feathers); the Turnstone (Streptopelia); the Plover (Charadrius fides); the Willett (Heteractitis brevipes—a bird known in Kamshutka, Alaska, and parts of North America); the Knot (Tringa); the Painted Snipe (Rostratula—in which the female is the more handsome bird); and the Woodcock (Scolopax).

One of the quaintest printer's errors that I know comes to my mind in connection with the last-named bird. The late Mr. Thomas Alcock Brown who was for many years in the Chinese Maritime Customs published a map of the Canton Delta to which he added a few notes for the sportsman. One note, placed in a rather central position was "A few woodcocks here." By a most unhappy mistake the engraver omitted the note to read "woodcocks!"

Most bird lovers and sportsmen know that the snipe which come in such numbers to South China in the autumn and winter, are migrants; but it is not generally known what enormous journeys they take between their nesting grounds and their winter quarters. The birds which seem to be found in every field in the winter, have probably been hatched in Eastern Siberia.

The Chinese name for the snipe, Shachui, means the sand owl.

Last of all, among this collection of birds, is the crane, whose beautiful white breast feathers are often used for muffs or fans. These birds are so shy that they are rarely seen. A dried specimen was recently on view in a Canton shop; the shopman said that the bird was "rare and not good to eat, but at times useful for a cold in the head."

ORDER 10.

STORKS AND CRANES.

Gross cinerea, a variety of crane is said to be seen on the West River in winter; otherwise the order seems to be unrepresented in South China. The bird is semitropical; the Mandarin at the western end of the Asiatic continent and the Yangtze at its eastern end are said to be or to have been noted for them.

ORDER 11.

THE DEER TRIBE.

This order which includes also the flamingoes has only one family which need detain us—the Anatidae, which includes Mergansers, Ducks, Geese and Swans. Like the Waders, the Ducks have bridged palaces, but unlike them they bring forth young who at a very early age are able to take care of themselves as witness the farm-yard duckling. They are all easily recognized by their external characters such as the flattened or partially flattened bill, short legs and fully webbed feet which distinguish them from the Scaup and Flamingoes. The majority of the species find their food under the water which is drained away between the lamellae with which the edges of the soft-skinned bill are provided, and, which act like a sieve in retaining the substances or animalcules fit for food.

A curious feature about many of the Ducks, apparently peculiar to all those species in which the male is more brightly coloured than the female, is that after the young are hatched, the male moults his bright plumage and assumes a dull, coloured dress similar to that of the female. This change is no doubt protective, for during the moult the male, having lost all his fight-feathers, is practically helpless. The "eclipse" plumage lasts for several weeks till the quills have been renewed, and is then replaced by new feathers of the normal bright livery.

There is in the large court of the Natural History Museum at Cromwell Road, London, a very fine series of ducks illustrative of this "eclipse."

The headquarters of the family are in the northern regions. Recent calculations assign as "residents" about seventy-seven species to the Northern Region, forty-one to the Neo-tropical, twenty-nine to the Australian, twenty-two to the Ethiopian, and twelve to the Indian (the region which includes Hongkong and South China). Of this dozen Mr. Kershaw includes five in his list published in 1904, but made several additions in later years: these are the Common Duck (Anas boschas), the Teal (Nation Crocea—the Chinese Shui-up-bai), the Wigeon (Mareca), the Shoveler (Spatula); and in the rear, marching by himself (if indeed he is able to march at all), the Pelican (Pelecanus) that queerest of the Duck Tribe, whom the Chinese call T'ong-ngho, the pond goose.

Two birds not found in our district but belonging to this family and connected, but in different ways with China, require mention at this point.

The first of these is the Cormorant. The books of our childhood told us how the Chinese fisherman took his birds out with him in his boat, put a ring round their necks (to prevent them from swallowing the fish), and sent them in after the fish. We probably believed the story but did not expect to see the fisherman, his little raft and his birds on the

River Min at Foochow, close to the Great Bridge. My only regret was to find that the birds were not wearing the ring round their necks.

The other bird is the Mandarin Duck (Aen yalerivulata, the Chinese In-yung) much beloved by the Chinese as a symbol of conjugal affection. It appears constantly on screens and fans. It is said to be noted very rarely in large numbers in the marshes at Tan-moon near Macao. Is there something in the Chinese breast which sympathizes with the English idea expressed in the phrase "quite a duck?"

The Chinese farmer knows two kinds of Geese, the "Kwong-chau-wan brood," and the Canton brood. The two are not only different species but also different families. The latter, both male and female, has a large black core or swelling, like a pigeon, at the base of the beak, and belongs to the family Corcoracidae; the former has no core, but at breeding time the gander develops a small growth like a ball-tassel at the base of his neck; he belongs to the family Anser, the "True" Geese.

The Yangtze is famous for its Wild Geese. The Chinese say that the Hwangshan, the smaller variety, fly westwards (inland) in spring and eastwards to the sea in autumn, but at neither time in flocks of less than ten. In that district ngan-loi (geese are coming) is said to be a popular phrase for the tenth month. Wild Geese have been noticed flying north-west over Chifu at the end of March, and returning southwards at the end of September.

In the early spring of 1900 the writer of these notes while crossing the Harbour frequently saw several flocks of these birds called by the Chinese In-ang. These "ducklings" were not eaten by the Chinese who allowed them to rest on the piles of the wharves, and said that they flew into the harbour only with a north-east wind; it was said that for many years there had not been so many of them in the harbour as then appeared.

ORDER 12.

Capt. K. H. Jones writing on the birds of Hongkong in "Twentieth Century Impressions" gives the following account of the gulls of Hongkong:

"Sea birds are not numerous and indeed are scarcely to be met except in the winter months, and then chiefly in bad weather, when considerable numbers of Herring Gulls (Larus cochinnus) seek shelter in the harbour. The majority of these, as evidenced by their brownish plumage, are immature. Another species of Herring Gull (Larus vulgaris) may occur among those in the harbour, and both these are very nearly related to those Herring Gulls which inhabit British waters. Another and much smaller gull is the Common Gull (Larus canus) which is not infrequently to be met with in the approaches to the harbour. A third gull the Black-Tailed Gull (Larus crassirostris) occasionally occurs in January and February, and is easily distinguished when adult by the black bar across the tail, or when young, as is the case with most of those seen here, by the great thickness of the bill."

To Capt. Jones is due the credit of having written the first account of the birds of Hongkong, and to his excellent article the readers of these notes are referred.

(Concluded.)

The Paris Vatin reports that a change in the order of succession to the Russian Throne is probable. In consequence of his morganatic marriage, the Grand Duke Michael Alexandrovitch will, it is stated, renounce all his rights, and it is expected that the Grand Duke Dmitri Pavlovitch, a cousin of the Tsar, who is 21 years old, will be chosen as heir presumptive.

When the career of Dr. Lang, now Archbishop of York, was ended at Oxford, he went up to London and began at once to read for the Bar, "devising," as the term is, for Mr W. S. Robson, now Lord Robson. Not long ago, Dr. Lang found himself on the platform at a public meeting side by side with his old legal chief, and the humour of the situation suddenly struck him. "Isn't it strange, Robson," he whispered, "that your former 'devil' should now be your Archbishop?"

Shortly after the arrival of the Mircea at Penang recently, Sergeant O'Neill, of the Marine Station, boarded the ship to take into custody a Japanese, named Chiyato, for causing hurt to a fellow countryman of his at Aden by cutting him with a razor. Before arriving at Aden the man assaulted one of the Europeans on board; at Aden he got into an altercation with one of his countrymen and assaulted him with a razor, cutting him three times on the arms. He was charged before Mr Coleman and remanded.

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.037	torpedo boat	—	—	—	Lt.-Comdr. Nicol	Hongkong
.038	torpedo boat	—	—	—	Lt.-Comdr. H. W. Seymour	West River

* Flagship of Admiral Alfred L. Wintzler, K.C.B., C.V.O., C.M.G., Commander-in-Chief.

Foreign Men-of-war on the China and Japan Station.

Name.	Flag and description.	Tons.	Guns.	H.P.	Captain.	Last report at
Kaiser Franz Joseph I.	Austro-Hungarian cruiser	4000	45	8000	Capt. H. Nauts	Shanghai
Dupleix	French armoured cruiser	10,014	30	20,000	Capt. Vergos	Shanghai
Kleber	French armoured cruiser	9710	12	18,600	Capt. Gouts	Hongkong
Decidée	French gunboat	845	10	1900	Lt.-Comdr. Vandier	Saigon
Argus	French river gunboat	180	6	370	Lt.-Comdr. Dordet	Canton
Vigilante	French gunboat	123	7	600	Lt.-Comdr. de Jerville	Canton
Pelito	French gunboat	130	—	—	Lt.-Comdr. Colli	Tongka
Doudard de Lagree	French gunboat	—	—	—	Lt.-Comdr. Dupuy Duteaux	Tchong-Kin
Lynx	French sub-marine	—	—	—	Lt.-Comdr. Bolux	Saigon
Protee	French sub-marine	—	—	—	Lt.-Comdr. Bolux	Saigon
* Styx	French armoured gunboat	1798	10	1700	Lt.-Comdr. Guillaume-Louis	Saigon
Fronda	French destroyer	350	7	308	Lt.-Comdr. Aurillac	Saigon
d'Herbville	French destroyer	—	—	—	Capt. de Frigate Rouisen	Hongkong
Fistolet	French destroyer	130	7	300	Comdr. de Marquessar	Saigon
Mouquet	French destroyer	307	6	300	—	Saigon
Manche	French surveying-ship	1825	10	800	Comdr. Voisin	Saigon
Kandén	German cruiser	3600	22	13,500	Capt. v. Rectorff	Swatow
Gastancien	German armoured cruiser	11,800	36	26,000	Captain Bruninghaus	Tsingtau
Ilis	German gunboat	900	12	1300	Comdr. v. Gohren	Shanghai
Jaguar	German gunboat	900	12	1300	Comdr. Vanzelow	Tsingtau
Laipig	German gunboat	3250	24	11,000	Capt. Behncke	Tsingtau
Luha	German gunboat	900	10	1350	Comdr. Bendemann	Tsingtau
Nirunburg	German cruiser	3400	22	13,200	Capt. Morsberger	Tsingtau
Oster	German river gunboat	—	—	—	Capt. Lieut. Frie	Yangtze River
Schamhorst	German flagship	11,600	36	26,000	Capt. Rosing	Shanghai
S. 90	German torpedo-boat	400	8	6500	Capt. Lieut. Berenberg	Tsingtau
Taku	German torpedo-boat	280	4	6000	Obit. z. S. Chassan	Tsingtau
Tiger	German gunboat	900	10	1350	Comdr. Böcker	Tsingtau
Tsingtau	German river gunboat	223	4	1900	Capt. Lt. Fähr. Speth v. Schulzburg	Canton
Vaterland	German river gunboat	223	4	500	Obit. z. S. Prinz	Shanghai
Calabria	Italian cruiser	2145	—	—	Comdr. Sommi Picenardi	Shanghai
Adamastor	Portuguese cruiser	1757	—	—	Capt. Anibal de S. Dias	Macao
Macao	Portuguese gunboat	—	—	—	Capt. Martins	Macao
Patria	Portuguese gunboat	700	—	—	Captain José de Carvalho Crato	Macao

UNITED STATES VESSELS ATTACHED TO ASIATIC STATION.

A-2	U. S. submarine				Ensign J. McC. Murray	Cavite
A-4	"				Lieut. E. D. McWhorter	Cavite
A-6	"				Ensign J. C. Van de Carr	Cavite
A-7	"				Ensign C. M. Yates	Cavite
Albatross	U. S. protected cruiser	3430	10	7500	Com. M. L. Bristol	Oranienburg
Bainbridge	U. S. torpedo-boat-destroyer	420	7	8900	Ensign H. A. Jones	Cavite
Barry	U. S. torpedo-boat-destroyer	420	7	8900	Lieut. B. Hill	Cavite
Callao	U. S. gunboat	243	8	250	Ensign W. L. Halberg	Canton
Chaney	U. S. torpedo-boat-destroyer	420	7	8900	Lieut. F. J. Fletcher	Cavite
Cincinnati	U. S. protected cruiser	3183	11	10,000	Comdr. S. S. Robinson	Oranienburg
Dais	U. S. torpedo-boat-destroyer	420	7	8900	Lieut. C. A. Woodruff	Cavite
Decatur	U. S. torpedo-boat-destroyer	420	7	8900	Lieut. B. H. Green	Cavite
El Cano	U. S. gunboat	620	4	600	Lt. Comdr. S. Gannon	Shanghai
Holena	U. S. gunboat	1392	8	1088	Comdr. G. R. Marvell	Shanghai
Mohican	U. S. station ship	1900	8	1100	Lieut. R. V. Lowe	Cavite
Monadnock	U. S. monitor	3990	6	3000	Lt. E. P. Svarz	Oranienburg
Montezuma	U. S. monitor	4084	4	8277	Commander J. V. Chase	Oranienburg
Oranienburg	U. S. gunboat	243	8	—	Lieut. B. B. Taylor	Cavite
Oranienburg	U. S. sea going tug	854	2	1800	Lieut. S. W. Wallace	Canton
Oranienburg	U. S. Repair ship	3085	—	—	Lieut. W. O. Wallace	Cavite
Oranienburg	U. S. gunboat	350	2	208	Lieut. J. J. Hannigan	Shanghai
Oranienburg	U. S. cruiser	4380	14	1800	Lt. Comdr. D. W. Wurtz	Swatow
Oranienburg	U. S. gunboat	243	8	250	Lt. G. C. Dickman	Shanghai
Oranienburg	U. S. armored cruiser	8116	14	17,401	Comdr. H. A. Wiley	Swatow
Oranienburg	U. S. gunboat	370	9	206	Lieut. E. Durr	Shanghai
Oranienburg	U. S. gunboat	1897	8	1694	Comdr. J. F. Hubbard	Oranienburg
Oranienburg	U. S. tug	463	—	650	Chief Boatsw. P. E. Radcliffe	Oranienburg

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THE WAR.

CONFLICTING OPINIONS.

Rumoured Intervention by Powers.

LONDON, Jan. 9.

Reuter telegraphs that it seems to be generally believed that the Powers are preparing to undertake concerted action with Constantinople regarding the cessation of Adriatic by Turkey should the deadlock continue for more than a couple of days, though according to the latest reports from Constantinople the Powers are likely to accept a proposal from Great Britain to preserve the city to the Turks, subject to the dismantling of the fortifications and other restrictions.

In official circles in Constantinople the charge is made against the attitude of the Powers, especially Russia and France, of encouraging the Allies in their demands; but trust is put in the sense of fairness of the nations, and especially of Great Britain, to see that justice is done.

DUCHESS OF CONNAUGHT.

RECURRENT ILLNESS.

LONDON, Jan. 9.

Reuter's Ottawa correspondent telegraphs that the Duchess of Connaught has had a recurrence of peritonitis, and had to be removed to Montreal this afternoon for treatment.

UNIONIST DIFFERENCES SETTLED.

RUMOUR AGREEMENT.

LONDON, Jan. 8.

It is rumoured in the Lobby that the Unionist differences of opinion concerning Tariff Reform have been settled on the basis of "two general elections," it having been agreed that food taxes shall not be put forward until a Unionist Government has submitted them to the country at a second election.

Practically every Member of the House of Commons signed a memorial to Mr. Bonar Law expressing unabated confidence in his leadership and leaving the decision of the future policy of the party to him.

A KING'S "CHRISTMAS MANIFESTO."

LONDON, Jan. 9.

Reuter's correspondent at Cetinje states that the King has issued a fervid Christmas manifesto to the Montenegrin troops in which he points out the possibility of their having to fight to secure their ancient capital. This is believed to refer to Austrian opposition to Montenegrin possessing Skutari.

CHINESE NEWS.

PEKING, Jan. 9.

All the clauses of the Six Nations Loan Agreement have now been mutually agreed to by all parties with the exception of the one dealing with the powers of the Financial Superintendent.

The Foreign Ministers, who were approached in regard to a desired postponement of the payment of the Boxer Indemnity, have stipulated that one half of the instalment due shall be paid before March and the other before the end of the year.

Negotiations on the Tibet question are proceeding between the British Minister at Peking and the Minister of the Foreign Department, Lu Ching Cheung.

A HARBOUR FETTER.

Caught in the Act.

An unemployed man from Swallow was seen yesterday, on the s.s. Fooksing by one of the crew, to put his hand into the pocket of a passenger who was boarding a launch. When he saw that he was noticed he ran round the ship but was caught and handed over to the Water Police. Commander Taylor, R.N., Marine Magistrate fined him \$10 this morning and to occupy a month's hard labour he paid the money.

At the same court four boat people were fined \$5 each for failing to exhibit the statutory lights on their junks.

For carrying fourteen passengers in excess of the number allowed by his license, a coolie boat owner was fined \$15.

The local agent of the Toyon Kisen Kaisha informed that he is in receipt of a cable from the Toyon Kaisha agent in Shanghai that the s.s. "Shanghai" is expected to arrive at New York on the 24th inst., being 7 days and 4 hours after steamer's arrival at San Francisco.

HONGKONG Y.M.C.A.

The Presidential Reception.

A large gathering of members of the European section of the Y.M.C.A. responded to the invitation of the President, H. E. Sir Henry May, to a New Year reception in the association's headquarters last evening.

The members and friends were introduced to Sir Henry and Lady May by Mr. F. G. White, association secretary, and when all had assembled a programme of music and recitations was enjoyed. Among the visitors who attended were many who are actively associated with the management of the association. They included Miss M. J. John, Miss Dixon, Miss Lockhart, Colonel St. John, Captain Taylor, A. D. C., Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, K. C., Rev. C. H. Hickling, Rev. E. Pearce, Rev. Mr. Pope, Professor Smith and Mr. Humphreys.

Welcoming the gathering His Excellency said that was the first occasion on which he had had an opportunity of seeing the members of the association and their friends together since his return to the Colony. He was glad to find that the Association was animated with a new spirit. It had got the bit between its teeth, and was fairly running away. It was not running altogether in the direction they would like—it was not possessed of golden shovels and silver dollars—but it was animated with a spirit that would win a race, and he appealed to all those who were members, and those who were not, to give it a push forward, and give it a chance of winning a race.

The President then referred to a club of a similar nature in Manila which he visited a short time ago—the Olympic Club—which was run very much on the same lines as the Y.M.C.A. Both were tenuous and that was a good thing. They would find that whenever a young man wished to be at his best he became a tennist. He was not a tennist himself but when he roared he used to knock off all alcoholic liquors, and every man who wished to do his best at athletics had to eliminate this, which was a poison, if a very pleasant poison (laughter). There was no reason why a young man should not join a club which was tenuous and many reasons why they should. Is anyone would give the association a site and building, as was done in the case of the Manila club he had referred to, they could show a splendid balance sheet; but as they had to pay several thousand dollars rent a year and could not make a profit out of their bar they were naturally in rather low water. The Hongkong Club itself could not live if it had no bar, so it was not at all to their disgrace that they could not keep their heads above water without one. There were two ways in which the association finances could be helped—one was by the recognition by employers of the benefit which their young men would reap by joining when they came to the Colony; and the other was to increase the membership. If the present number of 100 residential members and 32 absentees could be increased to 200 it would be possible to get along without begging for subscriptions. In conclusion the President made the interesting announcement that he had been in negotiation with the Hon. Mr. Ross for the acquisition of a tennis court on the island. Mr. Ross, the gentleman concerned, took up a very kindly attitude and he hoped the negotiations would lead to a satisfactory conclusion and that with the greater facilities the members would be enabled to win both championships of the Colony.

Mr. F. G. White replying later in the evening thanked Sir Henry and Lady May for their kindly interest in the association. To the programme Miss Dixon contributed piano-forte solos, Miss Lockhart songs, Mr. C. L. Lumsden songs, and His Excellency and the Hon. Mr. Pollock recitations.

VOLUNTEER ORDERS.

PARADES AT HEADQUARTERS.

Monday 13th Civil Service Company Infantry Drill, Tuesday 14th Howitzer and 10 Pr. Section Gun Drill, Right and Centre Section M. G. Co., M. G. drill, Remainder Infantry drill, Wednesday 15th Left Section M. G. Co., M. G. drill, Remainder Infantry drill, Friday 17th Civil Service Co., M. G. drill, Remainder Samphire Signalling.

KOWLOON POCK DETACHMENT.

Monday 13th Machine Gun Drill, Wednesday 15th Infantry drill.

TAIKOO DETACHMENT.

Wednesday 15th 10 Pr. Gun Drill, ENGINEER COMPANY.

Wednesday 15th Parade at West Port Kowloon at 9 p.m. for Technical Instruction.

REMOVED.

Sapper J. H. Lawrence is permitted to resign with effect from the 6th inst.

MAN PRISING CLASH.

Members are reminded that the above class will be held at Volunteer Headquarters at 6 p.m. on Thursday 9th inst.

RANGE TAKING CLASH.

Parade at Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Thursday the 10th inst.

ANNUAL CHURCH PARADE.

The Annual Church Parade at St. John's Cathedral will be held on Sunday the 23rd inst. Orders re. dress, time and place of parade will be issued later. The Commandant hopes that there will be a good attendance.

MUSKETRY.

The 5 inch Howitzer and 10 Pr Sections are reminded that the Standard Test for trained men will be carried out at Kings Park Range on Saturday the 11th at 2.30 p.m. and Sunday 12th at 9.30 a.m.

PROPOSED MARCH.

A meeting of all members of the Corps who are interested in the above will be held at Headquarters at 6.30 p.m. on Wednesday the 16th inst.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Mr. A. H. Skelton, of Messrs Lane Crawford and Co., is returning from Home this month.

Viscount Anson, the eldest son of the Earl of Lichfield, who celebrated his twenty-ninth birthday the other day has had an adventurous career. He is descended from a great-great-grandfather of Admiral Lord Anson himself followed in the footsteps of the Admiral before he attained his majority. Viscount Anson went to sea with his cousin, Viscount Lewisham, and had some very real adventures. They narrowly escaped death from a double-barrelled gun which was fired at them from a schooner in the Gulf of Mexico. The schooner was a double-barrelled gun which was fired at them from a schooner in the Gulf of Mexico. The schooner was a double-barrelled gun which was fired at them from a schooner in the Gulf of Mexico.

NUISANCE IN WYNDHAM STREET.

Pedestrians "Mobbed" by Flower Sellers.

A youth appeared before Mr. Melbourne today on charges of hawking without a licence and disorderly conduct in Wyndham Street.

Mr. Woodhouse, Deputy Supt. of Police, said that these flower hawkers in Wyndham Street constantly annoyed the people. They came out into the middle of the street, and "mobbed" people—especially ladies. There had been complaints about it, and he had warned them several times that they were not to come out from behind their baskets. For some time past there had been an improvement, but he was going down the previous afternoon, and saw a lady standing with a mob round her in the usual way. He caught the defendant and had him sent to the police station. It was a gross nuisance.

Mr. Melbourne fined the defendant \$2 on the first charge, and cautioned him on the second. He warned the defendant, and told him to tell the other flower sellers, that if they came before him again, he would fine them \$5.

COURT OF APPEAL.

The Mortgage Case.

In the full Court of Appeal this morning the hearing was continued of the case in which one Hung Kwai Ching is appealing against a judgment of the Chief Justice, Sir William Rogers Davies K. C. in an action brought against one Lo Sit Pui to recover a mortgage deed said to be unlawfully detained.

Sir Haviland de Saumarez, the presiding judge, said without treating it as an argument in any way it seemed to him that a considerable hardship would be inflicted upon the appellant assuming that they decided the appeal in defendant's favour, that she should be able to get the deed of re-assignment handed over to her so that she would have a free deed of title to her property. He asked whether respondent would be prepared in the event of the money being paid into court to execute and deliver the re-assignment.

Mr. Potter replied that it was not desired to keep anybody out of the deed at all. He hoped to show that the position respondent had adopted in this case was the only one he could have adopted in the circumstances; and that appellant had no right of action at all. In fact she had no interest in the estate. But he would only too glad to put an end to this unfortunate litigation.

THE FORGED NOTE CASE.

At the Magistrate's this afternoon Mr. Melbourne resumed the hearing of evidence in the case in which eight Japanese are charged with being in possession of forged notes representing a face value of three quarters of a million dollars.

The manager of the Tokyo Hotel deposited that the first four defendants came to the hotel on Dec. 17th with luggage. They stayed at the hotel up to the time of their arrest. At the hotel the defendants were visited by a Chinese. Coolies were hired on Dec 21st to remove boxes from the defendants' room. They told witnesses that the boxes contained magazines, when he said that they seemed to be very heavy. One of the defendants said he did not mind how much he had to pay for coolie hire. The boxes were then taken away towards the Post Office.

POSSESSION OF ARMS.

At the Magistrate's today before Mr. Melbourne the complainants of Macdonald & Co., engineers, was charged by Sergeant Grant with dealing in arms, and with being in possession of three Browning pistols, one Mauser pistol, and 1,200 rounds of ammunition. The case against the defendant was dismissed, and he was fined \$250 for being in possession of the arms. Mr. Reader Harris, of Messrs Wilkinson and Grist, defended.

WHOOPIING COUGH.

WHEN your child has whooping cough be careful to keep the cough loose and expectoration easy by giving Chamberlain's Cough Remedy as may be required. This remedy will also quickly relieve the lungs and make it easier to expectorate. It has been used successfully in many epidemics and is safe and sure. For sale by all Chemists and Grocers.

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General Memoranda.

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CHINA AND HER LOANS.

To arrive at a satisfactory conclusion with reference to China's financial affairs is, to say the least of it, like attempting to solve the insoluble, for, in truth, it is the most intricate of all Chinese puzzles. It is, however, not only a fascinating subject, but it is the subject that is at present of paramount importance to that vast country. China, having thrown off the yoke of an oppressive despotism—which was a great action; and having cast aside completely her effete traditional usages—which was even a greater accomplishment, found that she had entered upon her course of "Westernization" badly equipped financially. She doubtless was badly equipped in other respects too; but, at present, it is with the financial aspect of China that we are dealing. China required money—and it was all important that she should get it quickly. These facts are, of course, well-known to all who have taken any interest in the new Republic. It is also well-known that the most acceptable security which China had to offer was her Salt Revenue or part of it. She desperately required money—a common requirement with nations as well as individuals!—and so she gladly listened to the proposals of the gigantic Croesus that ultimately blossomed into the Four, and, subsequently, the Six Nations Group of Financiers—a body which, of course, comprised some of the important banking concerns of all the Great Powers. And before we proceed, we may as well state, that while the original "Group," comprising Great Britain, America, France and Germany, was quite capable of lending the dazzling sum proposed—£60,000,000 sterling—and the inclusion of Russia and Japan for political reasons was understandable, surely the precarious state of Japan's finances was sufficient warranty for her omission from participation. What has Japan to lend? If she would "lend" her fleet or the South Manchurian Railway to China, she would probably find her offer accepted with alacrity! China having agreed to the negotiations with the

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THE PEACE NEGOTIATIONS.
THE POWERS DECISION.

LONDON, Jan. 8.
It is semi-officially stated in Berlin that the Powers have decided to take immediate action in the case of Peace. Identical representations will be made simultaneously to Constantinople and the Turkish Delegates in London with the object of preventing a renewal of hostilities.

STATEMENT BY SIR EDWARD GREY.

In the House of Commons Sir Edward Grey announced that the action of the Powers in the event of the failure of the Conference was receiving the attention of the Powers, but he was unable to make a statement of their views and decisions till they could be made with common consent.

DR. DANOFF TRANQUIL.

Dr. Danoff, interviewed by Reuter, said he was tranquil and confident that the demands of the Allies would be accepted, and peace preserved.

NO DEVELOPMENTS SINCE MONDAY.

There have been no developments in the Peace Conference since Monday. The atmosphere in diplomatic circles continues to be eminently pacific, the Powers appearing to have agreed on the necessity of smoothing over the difficulties of both Turkey and the Allies and of Bulgaria and Roumania. The Austro-Russian situation has improved lately owing to the frank exchange of views.

IMPORTANT MEETING.

A message from Constantinople says that Nazim Pasha and Pasha Nura Douchian proceeded by special train yesterday to meet the Bulgarian General Savoff. They returned in the evening.

A TURKISH LOAN.

Arrangements to issue a small and short loan to relieve the immediate needs in Turkey were concluded in London yesterday. This is considered as indicating that the prospects of peace are much improved.

ADRIANOPLE'S FUTURE.

Powers Support Cession To Bulgaria

According to telegrams received by Reuter from various sources, the Powers have agreed upon the necessity of the cession of Adrianople to Bulgaria with the reservation that the mosques and the tombs of the Caliphs, which will be made extra-territorial and be placed under international control. The announcement was made to-day that Bulgaria was prepared to accept these reservations if asked to do so.

SERVIA OFFERS WITHDRAWAL OF TROOPS.

LONDON, Jan. 8.
The Serbian Government has expressed to the Powers its willingness to withdraw the Serbian troops from the Adriatic coast immediately peace is concluded. The hope is expressed by the government that the Powers will take this moderation into account and will not ask other sacrifices which may be beyond the power of the government to make.

SOCIETY ENGAGEMENT.

LORD ROBERT'S DAUGHTER.

LONDON, Jan. 8.
The engagement is announced of Edwina, daughter of Field Marshal Earl Roberts, and Major Lewin, R.F.A.

POLICE COMMISSIONER'S ASSAILANT SENTENCED.

LONDON, Jan. 8.
Albert Bowes, the chauffeur who attempted to assassinate Sir F. R. Henry, the Metropolitan Commissioner of Police, by shooting him with a revolver in a Kensington Street on November 27, last year, has been sentenced to fifteen years' penal servitude.

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A TERRIBLE DISASTER.
ORANGE AND LEMON CROP DESTROYED.

LONDON, Jan. 9.
A telegram from Los Angeles states that from San Bernadillo to Los Angeles the orange and lemon crop has been frozen, and only one-fifth will be saved. The loss is estimated to amount to \$20,000,000.

AUSTRALIAN POLITICS.
PENDING RETIREMENT OF MR DEAKIN.

LONDON, Jan. 9.
A telegram from Melbourne states that the Hon. Alfred Deakin, M. P., Leader of the Opposition in the House of Representatives at Victoria acting on medical advice has resigned the leadership. He will retire from public life at the dissolution of Parliament, but it is stated that he intends to participate in the re-anti-Referendum campaign. The Hon. Andrew Fisher, the Premier of Victoria, delivered a generous tribute on Mr. Deakin's career, stating that amidst the fiercest political controversy, their friendship had been unbroken.

ULSTER POLITICS.

LONDON, Jan. 9.
Mr. Marshall Tullie, Deputy Lieutenant of Londonderry Independent Unionist, and Mr. Shane Leslie, Nationalist, have withdrawn their nominations to the Parliamentary vacancy at Londonderry, leaving a straight fight between Lieut. Colonel Pakenham, R.I.R., Unionist, and Mr. Hogg, the Nationalist candidate.

A "POLITICAL" WEDDING.

LONDON, Jan. 9.
A prominent political wedding has taken place between Mr. Green, Chairman of the Irish Prison Board, and Johanna, daughter of Mr. John Radmond, M.P. The bride is a clever dramatist.

THE INSURANCE ACT.

DOCTORS COMING FORWARD.

LONDON, Jan. 9.
It is officially announced that 759 doctors have joined the London panels, and it is expected that an additional hundred doctors of adjoining counties will be prepared to treat under the Act.

MORE SPECIE DISAPPEARING.

A MOST SERIOUS AFFAIR.

LONDON, Jan. 8.
A box of specie, to the value of £5,000, has disappeared between Berlin and Hamburg, en route to Rio Janeiro. This is disrupting to the underwriters in view of the billion robbery in November.

THE BRITISH TRAINING SQUADRON.

NEW SQUADRON TO BE FORMED.

LONDON, Jan. 8.
It is announced that the present Training Squadron will be abolished in February and a new one formed by eight ships of the Edgar class with Queenstown as their base, in pursuance of Mr. Churchill's pledge when he visited Ireland. Formerly the training ship at Queenstown was recalled owing to Nationalist agitation against recruiting.

ANTARCTIC EXPLORATION.

NEW LANDS DISCOVERED.

LONDON, Jan. 8.
Captain Filchner, the German Antarctic explorer, has returned to Buenos Aires and telegraphs that he has discovered new lands, which he christened Prinz Regent Luitpoldland, and also an ice-barrier, which he named Kaiser Wilhelm the Second.

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GOVERNORSHIP OF BOMBAY.
OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT.

LONDON, Jan. 9.
The appointment of Lord Willingdon as Governor of Bombay is officially announced.

PORTUGUESE CABINET APPOINTMENTS.

LONDON, Jan. 9.
Reuter's Lisbon correspondent telegraphs that Senhor Almeida Ribeiro has accepted the office of Colonial Secretary and Senhor Concelves Texeira that of Foreign Secretary.

UNFORTUNATE SCIENTISTS.

GERMAN EXPEDITION'S DISTRESSING PRIVATIONS.

LONDON, Jan. 9.
Capt. Ritschell has reached the Norwegian wireless station at Advent Bay, west Spitzbergen. He is probably the sole survivor of the German Scientific expedition to northern Spitzbergen.

Reports state that the members of the expedition suffered from a scarcity of provisions and the ravages of scurvy. The expedition was split into several detachments. Ritschell's party was exhausted and collapsed at Widge Bay, and they are probably now without food. He went on alone with their last tallow candle. At Cape Thorsden he twice fell through the ice, and was rescued by a dog.

UNIONISTS AND FOOD TAXES.

A "BIRMINGHAM GROUP" TO BE FORMED.

LONDON, Jan. 8.
Mr. Bonar Law being unable to attend the Conference of Lonsdale and Cheshire Unionists on Saturday, it has been postponed till the 15th inst.

This was done at the request of Lord Derby. He and the Duke of Devonshire conferred with Mr. Bonar Law in the House of Commons yesterday, and it is believed that a settlement of the difference is imminent. Rumours circulated in regard to the future policy of the Unionists include a suggestion to form a Birmingham group in the House of Commons, consisting of food taxes; also that there is a possibility of the re-appearance of Lord Rosebery as the Leader of the dissentient free fooders as a Centre Party.

In reply to a question by Reuter's Agency, it was stated that the programme of the Tariff Reform League will not be affected by any possible change in the Unionist policy.

LONDON DERRY PARLIAMENTARY VACANCY.

LONDON, Jan. 8.
Mr. David Hogg has been selected to be the Nationalist candidate for Londonderry.

UNIONIST PARTY CONFERENCE.

LONDON, Jan. 7.
Mr. Bonar Law did not attend the conference on Jan. 4th which was postponed until Jan. 15th.

(Wah Tse Yat Po's Service.)

CHINESE NEWS.

PEKING, Jan. 8.
Wan Chong Hung Governor General of Szechuan has wired to the Cabinet that Tibet has declared independence, and a body of foreign soldiers is on the way to Tibet, via the Siam railway.

The American Minister has informed the Foreign Department that his Government will recognise the Chinese Republic when a proper Government is established in Peking.

The Russian Minister is suffering from paralysis, and it is feared that the Unga negotiations will be postponed sine die.

The annual interest of the six power loan has been fixed at 5 per cent.

After the disarming of 600 soldiers, quiet has been restored in the city of Chiofo, especially in the foreign settlements.

TO END THE BOYCOTT.

Chinese Merchants' Suggestions.

An important development has taken place in the situation regarding the boycott, and there is now a prospect of the matter being settled without the necessity of the Government leaving the special taxes contemplated under the provisions of the Boycott Prevention Ordinance.

The leading Chinese merchants of the colony, to the number of about fifty or sixty met last evening at the Tung Wah Hospital under the chairmanship of Lau Chi Pak and after a very comprehensive and lengthy discussion of the whole matter decided to make to the Company a recommendation which, it appeared by their face value, special books of tickets to the large houses for the use of their folkies, and everybody present pledged himself to take a certain number of the books if the suggestion is acted upon. Twenty-four of these present at the meeting were selected to wait upon Mr. Hon Chi, one of the leading men of the Chinese commercial community, who was not represented, to obtain his co-operation, and afterwards to see the Company's representatives.

We understand that Yuku Ying Sang, representing a large number of Chinese property owners was among those who attended the special audience yesterday, and obtained from H.K. the Governor a promise that the collection of the special tax would be postponed for twelve days to enable the Chinese community to take steps with a view to bringing the boycott to an end. If this is done no tax will be levied.

This action of the merchants should go a long way towards bringing about this much-desired result.

THE ALLAN WILKIE COMPANY.

Shaw's "Candida."

The play produced by the Allan Wilkie Dramatic Company last night was Mr. George Bernard Shaw's "Candida." The audience was not so large as the meritorious performance deserved, for, on the whole, the evening was a most enjoyable one. In last night's issue of the "China Mail" I referred in some detail to the play, and I now have to do with the performance itself. First, I should like to say, that I am firmly of opinion that as a play for public presentation "Candida" is clever, amusing and interesting as it is, will never, in my opinion, at least as it is presented, stand—be popular. Why? Simply because it lacks dramatic interest.

To read "Candida" in the "closet," as the old writers refer to private reading in one's study, is an intellectual pleasure; but to see it presented on the stage is well, not exactly a disappointment, but something akin to it. Not that Mr. Shaw's ideas are less interesting, though perhaps less convincing, on the stage than when considered in the study, but the effort to realise or embody them leaves much to be desired; not through any fault on the part of the players, but in the inherent defects of the play, considered as a dramatic presentation—

which, of course, is the first essential of every play, good, bad or merely indifferent—for when a play lacks dramatic qualities it loses practically all that makes it attractive; and no matter how well it may be presented, it has in it that which daunts any play lacking true dramatic elements. One does not go to the theatre only to hear brilliant satirical remarks, smart dialogue of ordinary subjects, treated originally or even to hear startling and unorthodox statements, for such are not to be compared for an instant, in the opinion of most people, with a "plain, unvarnished tale" dramatically told. Shaw is evasive to the general, and therefore he will never be so far as most of his plays are concerned—a successful playwright; no matter, as I have said, how well his plays may be presented. Last night Mr. Allan Wilkie's Company did ample justice to the play, but it must be confessed that the performance was not an entertainment. Mr. Wilkie was admirable as the Rev. James Morrell; Mr. G. F. Weir, in the very difficult part of Eugene Marchbanks, was exceedingly good; Miss F. Hunter-Watts made as much of the part of the much-exaggerated Candida as possible even though at times she did not quite "look" the part. Mr. Philip Gordon surprised me by his remarkable restraint as Mr. Burgess and Miss Vera Crichton gave a very conscientious "Prosy." Mr. Stafford Dawson is too good an actor to waste an evening on a part such as he had last night. Briefly, while Mr. Shaw is always interesting to listen to, he is really not an able playwright, lacking, as we have said, the talent of dramatic presentation. I cannot imagine Mr. Shaw's plays being made interesting enough for continuous public presentation unless in large centres.

"Mrs. Warren's Profession," which Mr. Wilkie's highly talented Company present to-morrow evening, has certainly more dramatic situations in it than "Candida," and therefore should be much more interesting as a play. I am sure that, as in "Candida," the players will do every justice to the play.

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CHILD CRUELLY TREATED.

Eleven Year Old Wife Ill-Treated.

At the Magistrate's today before Mr. Hazeland, a woman was charged by Inspector Cameron with cruelty to her daughter-in-law, a child eleven years of age.

Francis Dillon, a laud bullit, said that on Tuesday at 7.40 he was at work below Kwong shipyard, Cheung Sha Wan, when he heard voices and laughter. On looking up the hill he saw about twelve people surrounding the child, who was tied with a rope. She was being dragged up the hill. When he called out "What is the matter?" the crowd answered "This is a fool." He pushed away those who were hanging on to the child. There was blood on her face, her arms were swollen, and her wrists and head were marked by cactus thorns. The child asked him to take her home to his house, and refused to go to her mother-in-law. He found numerous red blotches on her head caused by cactus branches. The child said that she had been bound for forty-eight hours, and had had no food during that time.

The defendant said that the child ran into a cactus bush. She feared that the child would be bitten by a snake, and she could not do anything. Eventually she got the child from the bush, and then tied her up so as to make her go home with her.

Mr. Hazeland fined the defendant \$25 or one month's imprisonment.

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SHANGHAI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA	TOSA MARU, Capt. T. Sato, Tons 6,000	FRIDAY, 10th Jan.
BOMBAY, via SINGAPORE, COLOMBO	RANGCONG MARU, Capt. Ramchit, Tons 3,000	MONDAY, 20th Jan.

SHANGHAI, MOJI AND KOBE	SANDEI MARU, Capt. Richards, Tons 12,500	WEDNESDAY, 15th Jan.
NAGASAKI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA	NIKKO MARU, Capt. M. Yagi, Tons 9,600	WEDNESDAY, 15th Jan., at Noon.

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Steamer	Tons Displacement	Leaving
MISHIMA MARU	12,500	29th January.
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ATSUTA	16,000	26th February.
KITACHI	16,000	12th March.
MIYASAKI	16,000	26th March.
KITANO	16,000	9th April.
IYO	16,000	23rd April.
HIRANO	16,000	7th May.
TANGO	16,000	21st May.

FOR AMERICA.

INABA MARU	12,500	11th February.
SHIDZUOKA	12,500	25th February.
TAMBA	12,500	11th March.
AWA	12,500	25th March.
SADU	12,500	4th April.
YOKOHAMA	12,500	22nd April.
INABA	12,500	6th May.
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Steamer Captain Date of Sailing.
Nippon Maru... A. G. Stevens... Saturday, 11th Jan., at Noon.
Tenyo Maru... E. Best... FRIDAY, 17th JAN., at Noon.
Shinyo Maru... R. S. Smith... TUESDAY, 11th FEB., at Noon.
Chiyo Maru... W. W. Green... TUESDAY, 11th MARCH, at Noon.
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Steamer Tons Date of Sailing.
Kiyo Maru... Saturday, 1st Feb., at Noon.
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Steamers Captains Leave
SEATTLE MARU... T. Saito... Thursday, 23rd Jan. at 2 P.M.
MEXICO MARU... N. Kobayashi... Thursday, 5th Feb. at 2 P.M.
CHICAGO MARU... I. Goto... Thursday, 20th Feb. at 2 P.M.
CANADA MARU... K. Hori... Thursday, 5th Mar. at 2 P.M.
TACOMA MARU... T. Hamada... Saturday, 22nd Mar. at 2 P.M.
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DALIN MARU... T. Fuchigami... Sunday, 19th Jan., at 10 A.M.For ANPING & TAKAO via SWATOW & AMOY.
Steamer Captain Leaves
SOSHU MARU... K. Tashira... Wednesday, 22nd Jan., at 8 A.M.For CANTON (Direct).
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SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
TSINGTAU, WEIHAIWEI, CHEFOO & DALNY	SHIKUEN	Jan. 10, at 10 A.M.
SHANGHAI	LIAN	Jan. 11, Midnight.
PARROT & HAIPHONG	SHOKUEN	Jan. 12, Daylight.
MANILA, CEBU & ILOILO	KIKUCHI	Jan. 14, at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	CHINUA	Jan. 16, at 4 P.M.

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PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
SHANGHAI, KOBE AND MOJI	FOOKSANG	FRIDAY, Jan. 10, Daylight.
SHANGHAI	HANGSANG	FRIDAY, Jan. 10, Daylight.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	KUTSANG	SATURDAY, Jan. 11, at 2 P.M.
MANILA	LOONGSANG	SATURDAY, Jan. 11, at 2 P.M.
CHINWANTAO	ONSANG	SATURDAY, Jan. 11, at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI via SWATOW	WOSANG	TUESDAY, Jan. 14, at Noon.
MANILA	YUENSANG	SATURDAY, Jan. 18, at Noon.

RETURN TOURS TO JAPAN. (Occupying 24 days).
The steamers Kutsang, Namsang and Fooksang leave about every 3 weeks for Shanghai and Japan returning via Kobe (Inland Sea) and Moji to Hongkong. Time occupied 20 days. This service is supplemented by the Lamsang, and Kamsang leaving Hongkong at regular intervals for Moji and Kobe and returning thence direct to Hongkong. Time occupied 16 days.These vessels have all modern improvements and are fitted throughout with Electric Light.
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The S.S. OKADA, 5291 tons gross, Capt. E. B. Hirst, will be despatched for SINGAPORE, PORT SWETTENHAM, PENANG and RANGOON on the 14th January, 1913, at Noon, and will be followed by the S.S. DEADA, 5257 tons gross, Capt. Logan, sailing hence on or about the 26th January, 1913, at Noon, taking cargo at current rates.EASTWARD
The S.S. FULTALA, 4154 tons gross, Captain H.W. Tallent, will be despatched for YOKOHAMA & KOBE on the 16th January, at Daylight, taking cargo and passengers at current rates.For Freight & Passage, apply to
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PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

For	Steamers	Date of Departure
SHANGHAI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA	"CARMARTHENSIRE"	about 14th Jan.
LONDON, ROTTERDAM & ANTWERP	"MONMOUTHSHIRE"	about 18th Jan.
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Captain AMERZIG, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 10th January, at Noon.For further particulars regarding Freight and Passage, apply to
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Hongkong, January 7, 1913.STEAM FOR
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THE Steamship INDIA, Captain G. W. Gordon, R.N., carrying the Mail, will be despatched from this for BOMBAY, on SATURDAY, the 18th January, 1913, at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above ports in connection with the Company's Steamship London 10,000 tons, from Colombo. Passengers' accommodation in which vessel is secured before departure from Hongkong.

Silk and Valuables, all cargo for France, Italy and Genoa (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into the mail steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles & London; other cargo for London, etc., will be conveyed via Bombay in the a.s. China due in London on the 1st March, 1913.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 p.m. the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required.

For further particulars, apply to
E. A. HEWITT,
Superintendent.
Hongkong, January 4, 1913.

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES

'BEN' LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
FROM ANTWERP, MIDDLESBROUGH, LONDON AND STRAIT.THE Steamship BENDORAN.
Consignees of cargo are hereby informed that all goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Limited, Kowloon, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 15th inst. will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before the 15th inst., or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 15th inst., at 11 A.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, January 8, 1913.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMER DUMBA.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo from London or S. S. Breton; from SEVILLE or S. S. Ville d'Arrache, in connection with above Steamer are hereby informed that their Goods with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf & Godown Company, Ltd., at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignee before Noon To-day, requesting 1 to be landed here.

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Steamer	Tons	Leave Hongkong	Connecting Steamers from Colombo to Marseilles and London	Due Marseilles (Brindisi 2 days earlier)	Due Plymouth (London 1 day later)
INDIA	8000	Jan. 13	MOOLTAN	Feb. 15	Feb. 21
ASSAYE	7500	Feb. 1	MALOJA	Mar. 1	Mar. 7
SHIMALAYA	7000	Feb. 15	MOROA	Mar. 15	Mar. 21
DEVANHA	8000	Mar. 1	MARMORA	Mar. 29	Apr. 4
DETA	8000	Mar. 15	MEDIN	Apr. 12	Apr. 18
INDIA	8000	Mar. 29	Through Steamer	Apr. 26	May 2
ASSAYE	7500	Apr. 12	MUNGOLIA	May 10	May 16
DEVANHA	8000	Apr. 26	MACEDONIA	May 24	May 30
CHINA	8000	May 10	MALVA	Jun. 7	Jun. 13
DELTA	8000	May 24	MOOLTAN	Jun. 22	Jun. 28
ASSAYE	7500	June 7	MOROA	July 6	July 12

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SUNDA	6000	Feb. 5	March 9	March 19
GARDINIA	7000	Feb. 19	March 23	April 2
SOMALI	7000	March 5	April 6	April 16
KAMUR	7000	March 19	April 30	April 30
KANKIN	7000	April 2	May 4	May 14
KYANZA	7000	April 18	May 18	May 28
KORE	7000	April 30	June 3	June 13
NILE	7000	May 14	June 17	June 27

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S.S. SILESIA, 14th Jan.

S.S. SUEVIA, 27th Jan.

S.S. O.J.D. ABLERS, 11th Feb.

S.S. SPEZIA, 26th Feb.

S.S. SENEGAMBIA, 10th Mar.

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PROPOSED SAILINGS.

FROM HONGKONG.

FROM COLOMBO.

21st Jan.

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SHANGHAI, TSINGTAU, GOEBEN, (17,300) at 10 a.m.

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MANILA, ANGAUR, YAP, COBLENZ, (6,100) at 9 a.m.

NEWGUINEA, BRISBANE, Capt. L. Klugkist, (6,100) at 9 a.m.

SYDNEY & MELBOURNE, PRINZ SIGISMUND, (6,000) at 4th Feb.

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ZAFIRO, 4,000 F. S. McMurray, Manila, Mangarin, THURSDAY,

GUBI, 4,000 J. Miller, Manila, Mangarin, Jan. 16, at 4 p.m.

SAILING, 4,000 J. Miller, Manila, Mangarin, SATURDAY,

SAILING, 4,000 J. Miller, Manila, Mangarin, Jan. 24, at 4 p.m.

PHILIPPINE CARNIVAL—From 1 to 9, 1913. For sailing on January 25,

special reduced rate, HONGKONG—MANILA and return \$50.00. Return tickets are

available for one month from date of issue. No Polltax.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

SHEWAN, TOMES & Co General Managers.

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AUSTRIAN LLOYD.



(Under Mail Contract with the Austrian Government).

MONTHLY FAST DIRECT SERVICE TO TRIESTE,

via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID.

Accompanied Train Service from Trieste to Paris, London and Berlin.

S.S. KOERBER, 9900 tons, will leave as above on 19th January, at 5 p.m.

S.S. BOHEMIA, 7900 tons, will leave as above on 13th February, at 5 p.m.

Cheap rates, Hongkong—Trieste, Venice £50 1st class, £36 2nd class & £19 3rd class.

Superior accommodation for 1st and 2nd Class and Cabin passengers. No surtax,

no tips, no inside Cabins, excellent cuisine, Doctor, Laundry, Wireless Telegraphy.

TO SHANGHAI.

S.S. KOERBER, 9900 tons, will leave as above on 5th January, at Daylight.

S.S. BOHEMIA, 7900 tons, will leave as above on 28th January, at Daylight.

Cheap rates—Shanghai £8 1st class, £4 2nd class and £2 3rd class.

MONTHLY ORDINARY SERVICE.

S.S. VORWAERTS, 12900 tons, will leave for TRIESTE, Fiume and Venice,

via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, BOMBAY, KARACHI, ADEN,

SUEZ, PORT SAID, about 1st February.

S.S. E. F. FERDINAND, 12000 tons, will leave as above about 3rd March.

TO KOBE.

S.S. E. F. FERDINAND, 12000 tons, will leave as above and to Yokohama

via Shanghai about 1st February.

S.S. AUSTRIA, 14000 tons, will leave as above about 2nd March.

Superior accommodation for Saloon Class Passengers.

ROUND THE WORLD TICKETS ARE ISSUED.

Cargo taken at through rates to all ports in the Adriatic, the Levant and Black

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SANDER, WIELER & CO., Agents,

PRINCES' BUILDING.

Hongkong, January 3, 1913.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP CO., LD.

HONGKONG-SOUTH CHINA COAST PORTS.

HIGHEST-Class, fastest and most luxurious Steamers on the Coast, having

splendid accommodation for First-Class Passengers. Electric Light. Excellent

Cuisine.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW

AND RETURN.

(Occupying 9 to 10 Days).

CAPTAIN

HAIRYANG, Capt. A. E. Hodgins, TUESDAY, 14th Jan., at Daylight.

HAICHING, Capt. W. O. Pasmore, FRIDAY, 17th Jan., at Daylight.

† Calling at Swatow and Amoy for Passengers only.

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(Occupying 3 Days)

HAIMUN, Capt. J. W. Evans

Steamers will arrive at, and depart from the Company's Wharf

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THE EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN

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MAIL SERVICE

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MAIL SCHEDULE

(SUBJECT TO MODIFICATION)

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Arrive Hongkong from Australia.

Leave Hongkong for Australia.

EASTERN

EMPIRE

Jan. 10.

Feb. 7.

Feb. 1st at Noon.

March 1st at Noon.

THE above Steamers are fitted with Refrigerating Machinery, ensuring a plentiful

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All State-Rooms have Electric Fans. A duly qualified Doctor and Stewards are carried.

For further particulars, apply to

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Hongkong, November 2, 1908.

DIRECT ROUTE TO AMERICA.

GREAT NORTHERN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

S.S. 'MINNESOTA'

Capacity 22,000 Tons. Length 630 Feet. Beam 75 Feet.

21,000 Tons Gross Register. 14,500 Tons Displacement.

EQUIPPED WITH WIRELESS TELEGRAPHY.

(CAPT. T. W. GARLICK).

SAILS FROM HONGKONG ON MONDAY, February 3rd, at Noon

FOR

SEATTLE via NAGASAKI, INLAND SEA, KOBE

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LUXURIOUS PASSENGER ACCOMMODATION—Saloon and state-rooms (all

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Direct connection at Seattle with Great Northern and Northern Pacific Railways

for all points in the United States, Canada and Europe.

Cabin passengers may travel, by rail, if desired between ports of Yokohama, Kobe

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THOS. COOK & SON.

TOURIST STEAMSHIP & FORWARDING AGENTS,

BANKERS, etc.

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TICKETS supplied to EUROPE by the principal STEAMSHIP LINES as

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TOURS arranged on ALL PARTS of the World.

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LETTERS OF CREDIT and CIRCULAR NOTES ISSUED and CASHED.

FOREIGN MONIES exchanged.

HEAD OFFICE: LUDGATE CIRCUS, LONDON, E.C.

Hongkong, April 4, 1906.

Notices to Consignees

OSAKA OHSSEN KAISHA.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

ROSS'S

Royal Belfast

Ginger Ale

Price per Barrel of 10 doz. \$30.00

ROSS'S

Belfast Dry

Ginger Ale

Price per case of 5 doz. - \$16.00

We have been appointed Sole Agents in South China for the above and would appreciate enquiries.

MacEwen, Frickel & Co.
HONGKONG, CANTON.

STEAMERS PASSED SUEZ CANAL.

December 10, *Exphrate*,
December 11, *Bahama*, *Pelena*,
December 17, *Benjoe*, *Japan*, *Sundia*,
December 21, *Admiral*, *Andalus*, *Al*,
December 22, *Admiral*, *Andalus*, *Al*,
December 27, *Admiral*, *Andalus*, *Al*,
December 31, *Admiral*, *Andalus*, *Al*.

STEAMERS EXPECTED.

The N. D. L. s.s. *Golden* carrying the German Mail with date from Berlin of the 11th December, left Singapore on Sunday, the 5th January, at 8 a.m., and may be expected here on or about Thursday, the 9th January.

Other Vessels.

The *Dodwell & Co.* s.s. *Divine* from U.K., sailed from Singapore on the morning of 4th January, and is due here on or about the 10th January.

The I. C. S. N. Co. Ltd.'s s.s. *Laiwang*

left Singapore for Hongkong on the 4th January, due Hongkong on the 12th January, at 7 a.m., and is due here on the 13th January, at about 8 a.m.

The S. S. N. Co. Ltd.'s s.s. *Carmarthen*

left Singapore for Hongkong on the 6th January, due Hongkong on the 13th January, at 7 a.m., and is due here on the 14th January, at about 8 a.m.

The S. S. N. Co. Ltd.'s s.s. *Clanmichael*

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To-day's Advertisements

HONGKONG BENEVOLENT SOCIETY.
THE ANNUAL MEETING of this Society will be held at the CITY HALL, on TUESDAY, 14th instant at 11 A.M.

WINDFED EDINS.
Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, January 9, 1913. 40

FOR SALE.

GOOD Looking POINTER DOG.
Can be seen at the "China Mail" Office, from 1 to 2 p.m. daily.
Offers to "X. Y. Z."
Care of "China Mail" Office.
Hongkong, January 9, 1913.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Underigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on (FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED), on

SATURDAY,

the 11th January, 1913, at 11 A.M., at their SALES ROOMS, No. 8, Des Vaux Road, Corner of Ice House Street.

Several cases of Condensed Milk.

Several cases of Chinese Tea.
30,750 Egyptian Cigarettes.
A quantity of Pipe Tobacco in 4 oz. tins, and
Four cases of Piece Goods.

TERMS: As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH,

Auctioneers.
Hongkong, January 9, 1913. 38

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Underigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on

FRIDAY,

the 10th January, 1913, commencing at 2.30 P.M., at No. 26, Nathan Road (Humphreys Block), Top Floor, Kowloon.

A LARGE QUANTITY OF

VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD

FURNITURE,
Comprising—
Fine Teak Sideboard, Dining Room.
Extension Dining Table and Drawing Room
Suite, Teak Overmantel, Tea and
Occasional Tables, Lamps and Serge Curtains,
Elephantine Paintings and Engravings, Clocks,
Sonnets, Vases, Brackets, Ornaments, etc., etc.

Terms: Double-Warrior with Bevelled

Mirror, Linen Wardrobe, Chest of Drawers,
Wardrobe, Dressing Table, Toilet Crockery,
Double and Single Bedsteads, Table
and Bed Linen, Dishes, Cutlery, Glass
and Crockery Ware (Dinner and Tea Sets),
Kitchen Utensils, etc., etc.

Also

1. Norwood Sewing Machine.
2. Cherry Wood Desk and Chair.
3. Brass Standard Lamps.

On View from Thursday, the 10th Jan.

Catalogues will be issued.
Terms: Cash on delivery.

GEO. P. LAMBERT,

Auctioneer.
Hongkong, January 9, 1913. 39

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

The T. K. K. s.s. *Teiyo Maru* is expected to arrive here on Friday, the 10th instant with the American Mail and the London Mail (via Siberia) of Wednesday, the 13th ultimo.

Mails will close for:

TSINGTAI, WEIHAIWEI, CHEFOO & DALNY.
Per *Kajana*, at 9 a.m., on Friday, the 10th Jan.

TSINGTAI, CHEFOO & DALNY.

Per *Seiden*, at 9 a.m., on Friday, the 10th Jan.

FORT BAYARD.

Per *Chungta*, at 9 a.m., on Friday, the 10th Jan.

STRAITS & INDIA VIA BOMBAY.

Per *Capri*, at 11 a.m., on Friday, the 10th Jan.

SHANGHAI, NORTH CHINA & JAPAN VIA KOBE.

Per *Tosa Maru*, at 11 a.m., on Friday, the 10th Jan.

MACAO.

Per *Sui Tai*, at 1.15 p.m., on Friday, the 10th Jan.

SHANGHAI, TSINGTAI, NORTH CHINA, JAPAN VIA KOBE.

Europe via Siberia.
Per *Oriental*, at 5 p.m., on Friday, the 10th Jan.

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.

Per *Longyang*, at 1 p.m., on Saturday, the 11th Jan.

STRAITS & INDIA VIA CALCUTTA.

Per *Kutong*, at 1 p.m., on Saturday, the 11th Jan.

CHINWANTAO.

Per *Onyang*, at 3 p.m., on Saturday, the 11th Jan.

SAIGON.

Per *Phranang*, at 4 p.m., on Saturday, the 11th Jan.

BATAVIA, CHERIBON, SAMARANG & SOERABAYA.

Per *Tipoon*, at 4 p.m., on Saturday, the 11th Jan.

HAIPHONG, PAKHOI & SAIGON.

Per *Sunkiang*, at 8 p.m., on Saturday, the 11th Jan.

SHANGHAI, NORTH CHINA, JAPAN VIA NAGASAKI, UNITED STATES, SOUTH AMERICA & CANADA VIA VANCOUVER.

(Europe via Siberia).
Per *Empress of India*, on Friday, the 10th Jan.

Printed Matter and Samples at 5.00 p.m.

Registration at 6 p.m.
Registration, Kowloon B.O., 4.00 p.m.
Letters at 6 p.m.

TRY THIS FOR A COLD.

HAMBERLAN'S Cough Remedy has won its great reputation and extensive sale by its remarkable cures of coughs, colds and croup. It can be depended upon. Try it. Sold by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

SHIPPING

ARRIVALS.

January 8.

Lian, British str., 1,332, C. C. Williams, Shanghai, Jan. 8, General. — BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

Tianchi, Dutch steamer, 3,815, F. E. von Scherneck, Macassar Dec. 31, Sugar. — JAWA-CHINA-JAPAN LINE.

Sunkiang, British str., 957, E. Finlayson, Haiphong Jan. 4, and Pakhoi 6, General. — BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

Hongkong, British str., 1,359, J. M. Hay, Swatow January 7, Ballast. — JARDINE, MATTHEWSON & CO., LD.

Anna, Norwegian str., 1,917, A. Arntsen, Swatow January 8, Ballast. — ORIENT.

Salahadin, Dutch steamer, T. de Haan, Singapore Dec. 29, Bulk Oil. — S. A. P.

Dryden, Norwegian str., 1,102, J. Bing, Bangkok and Swatow January 8, General. — CHINESE.

Frederick, British str., 2,670, G. McMillan, Karatsu January 2, Coal. — GRIS, LIVINGSTON & CO.

Peklat, German str., 1,028, J. Wenzel, Hongkong Jan. 6, Coal. — BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

Eastern, British str., 2,372, E. Simpson, Batavia, Melbourne and Manila January 7, General. — GRIS, LIVINGSTON & CO.

Tao Maru, Japanese steamer, 3,810, T. Sato, Bombay and Singapore January 1, General. — NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

DEPARTURES.

January 8.

Alemonis, for Shanghai.

January 9.

Mongolia, for Shanghai & San Francisco.

Kowloon, for Shanghai and Yokohama.

Yokohama, for Kobe and Yokohama.

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BURNING, BLEEDING AND CRUSTED SKIN

Had to Lie With Arms Up by Head, They Were So Sore Underneath. Itching Very Bad. Got No Sleep. Used Cuticura Soap and Ointment and Trouble Disappeared.

"About the month of March, 1910, a very itching red rash commenced on my breast, throat and under my arms. The complaint was of a very watery nature, the itching very bad. At night I got no sleep owing to the burning, bleeding, crusty nature of the skin. I had to lie with my arms up by my head, they were so very sore underneath."

"I washed the affected parts with carbolic and tar soap, but got no relief. I also took blood mixture, but it did not help. I then bought a set of the Cuticura Soap and Ointment, and used it. The itching and burning soon disappeared, and I now have a clear, white skin. I can now sleep and have never had any skin trouble since Cuticura Soap and Ointment cured me."

"I always use the Cuticura Soap for shaving and a little Cuticura Ointment on my skin, which I find keeps it nice and white and clean, and also free from any irritation. I sincerely hope that this letter will be useful to some one suffering from itching or any inflammation, and you have my full permission to publish it." (Signed) George Taylor, 441 Grove Cottage, Fyvie, Aberdeen, S. Jan. 18, 1911.

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